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Mr. Frank R. Barnett  
Director of Research  
The Richardson Foundation  
128 East 42nd Street  
New York 17, New York

Dear Mr. Barnett:

Your invitation asking that I attend the fourth annual National Military-Industrial Conference is sincerely appreciated. I regret, however, that it will be impossible for me personally to attend this important meeting.

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In view of the significance of the items included on the agenda, I am asking that two senior officers of this Agency, [redacted] and Colonel [redacted] attend the Conference. They are both experienced in various aspects of the problems that will be discussed.

Sincerely,

Signed

Allen W. Dulles  
Director

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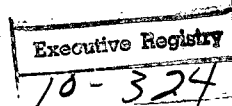
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Frank R. Barnett

Dear Mr. Dulles:

Will you please regard this letter as a formal invitation to be in Chicago next month for a Conference to reassess American strategy in the age of missiles, Soviet economic warfare and massive propaganda? On the agenda are:

International Economic Strategy

Science and the Shape of the Future

Strategy for the Research Laboratory and Classroom

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The enclosed Program\* lists speakers, including: the Under Secretary of Commerce; the Army's Chief-of-Staff; the nation's number one Rocket Expert; the President of the International Finance Corporation; and scientists, educators, businessmen and government officials of similar stature.

I earnestly hope you and some of your associates will be able to take part in this Conference. Recent events suggest we may be moving through the 11th hour; and America needs the best thinking of civic, professional and business leadership -- as well as government -- about the priority issues of national security.

Sincerely,

*Frank Barnett*  
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*The Role of Commerce and Industry in U. S. National Strategy—Including Factors  
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